

New Brunswick, N.J.
October 22, 1926

Re James Mills

I interviewed Mrs. Catherine Dank, wife of William Dank, who resides at 13 Carman Street, this city.

Mrs. Dank informs me that on September 14, 1922 (the night of the murder) between 9 and 9.30 P.M., she and her sister passed the Mills home at 49 Carman Street. At that time she saw Jim Mills sitting on the front steps. Mrs. Kelly, who lives in the same house, was also outside and Mrs. Dank simply bid her "good evening" as she went by. She did not stop to talk with her.

She claimed she did not speak to Mills as she only knew him by sight.

In order to test her out on the time I asked her if it could have been as late as 10.30 P.M. She said it could not, as she never stayed up that late at night.

I endeavored to obtain her sister's name but she would not tell me, although she admitted her sister was living in the house with her.

Mrs. Dank is a woman about 65 years of age and was very reluctant about giving information as she said she did not want to be mixed up in the case.

I inquired as to whether anyone had ever talked to her about the matter. She claimed they had not.

Respectfully yours,

David Thompson